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EVENT: Guilty Verdict

DEFENDANT: Alan Curtis Davis, 42, of Glendale, Arizona

On April 15, 2005, a federal jury convicted Alan Curtis Davis, age 42, of Glendale, Arizona of one count of conspiracy to manufacture more than 50 grams of methamphetamine, one count of conspiracy to possess with intent to distribute and to distribute more than 50 grams of methamphetamine, and one count of possession of List I chemicals with intent to manufacture methamphetamine.

The trial began on April 6, 2005 before U. S. District Judge Paul D. Borman in Detroit, Michigan. The evidence established that Davis came to Michigan from Arizona to set up clandestine methamphetamine laboratories. The evidence showed that he set up three separate clandestine laboratories, including one that exploded in Cadillac, Michigan on March 7, 2001, severely burning a co-conspirator named David Bowen. The evidence also showed that Davis purchased thousands of cold and sinus relief tablets containing pseudoephedrine. Pseudoephedrine is the main ingredient necessary to manufacture methamphetamine.

The conspiracies were uncovered on November 28, 2001 in Brownstown, Michigan, when one of Davis' clandestine labs was discovered during the course of an eviction proceeding. "Because of the quantity of methamphetamine involved and because of the fact that he had a prior conviction for methamphetamine trafficking, by law Mr. Davis will receive a mandatory minimum sentence of 20 years in prison." U. S. Attorney Stephen J. Murphy said.

Murphy thanked the Drug Enforcement Administration, the Michigan State Police and the Wexford County Sheriff's Department for their investigation of the case. Assistant U.S. Attorney J. Michael Buckley prosecuted this case.